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SUBJECT: IAEA INTEREST IN HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTORS

- 1. DURING ZHELUDEV VISIT TO WASHINGTON IN JANUARY, HE INDICATED POSSIBILITY CONVENING INTERNATIONAL WORKING GROUP ON HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTORS (IWG/HTR). AS FIRST STEP, AGENCY WOULD CONVENE CONSULTANTS' MEETING LATE 1976 TO CONSIDER QUESTION. ERDA RESPONDED WORK OF IWG/HTR MIGHT BE PREMATURE OR POSSIBLY DUPLICATIVE OF IEA EFFORTS.
- 2. AT NOVEMBER 20 IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING, HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTORS WERE IDENTIFIED AS AREA FOR EXPLORATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS IN COOPERATIVE WORK. FRG IS LEAD COUNTRY TO ORGANIZE THIS EFFORT. NO DATE HAS YET BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR FIRST EXPORT MEETING.
- 3. ERDA IS PRESENTLY CONDUCTING A MAJOR REVIEW OF ITS HTGR PROGRAM, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT UPCOMING DECISIONS BY INDUSTRY. RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS AREA WOULD BE FORTHCOMING IN 4-6 MONTHS.
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4. IN VIEW OF IEA COMMITMENT TO EXAMINE THIS AREA AND SCHEDULE OF INTERNAL ERDA REVIEW, ERDA BELIEVES THIS NOT OPPORTUNE TIME FOR IAEA TO BE PLANNING CONSULTANTS' MEETING. WE WOULD, AS MINIMUM, WISH TO SEE RESULTS OF FIRST IEA MEETING BEFORE SUPPORTING ANY EFFORT BY AGENCY TO CONVENE CONSULTANT'S MEETING. PLEASE DISCUSS WITH AGENCY AND FRG MISSION AND ADVISE. INGERSOLL

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